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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants disclose the following information:

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,177,011, inventors Hachisuka et al., issued January 23, 2001;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,178,766, inventors Ikeda et al., issued January 12, 1993; and
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,245,234, inventors Koo et al., issued June 12, 2001.

Copies of the foregoing documents are provided with this paper. In addition, these documents are listed on the enclosed PTO Form FB-A820. Applicants respectfully request that the

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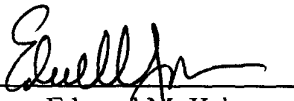
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